

WBCV

BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

Date first licensed 11-21-62 SEE CARD #2 WBCV (EFF. 5-1-81)
 Call letters XW K Y E

X WILLIAM J. TILLEY, JR. (AL gr 8/30/76 EFF: 9/30/76)
 HIGHLAND DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION OF BRISTOL (5-10-71) Station location BRISTOL,
TENNESSEE

X DAVENPORT BROADCASTING COMPANY (BAL-6362 9-6-68 EFF: 9-17-68)

X JACKSON & WHITE, JR., RECEIVER (AL 3-21-68 EFF. 12-19-68)

X CHARLES J. MCGUIRE and MARY JANE B. MCGUIRE (BAL-12-31-63 EFF: 2-6-64)

Name of licensee X JOHN K. ROGERS

(BP 6-25-80)

line 0.33 mi. N. of Rd. Nr. Bristol, Va.

Off Reedy Creek Rd. 1.2 mi. NE of Washington Scott County/

(EMP 6-6-62)

X .17 mi. W. of junction of US Hwy. 421 & Paperville Rd., Bristol, Tenn.

Transmitter location X On Blackley Rd., 2 miles S.E. of center of Bristol, Tennessee

510 Cumberland St., Bristol, Va. (tr. 11-2-76)

Virginia

X 501 Cumberland Street, Bristol, Tennessee (EMP 6-6-62)

Main studio location X Snyder Building, 800 State Street, Bristol, Tennessee

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period From- To-
BP-12,915	3-15-62	1550kc	1kw	Day	8-15 11-15-62
Construction permit which authorized a new standard broadcast station					
BMP-10282 (1)	6-6-62	Mod. of CP(BP-12,915) to change antenn trans. and studio loc., change type trans. (ITA AM-100.0A)& make chgs. in ground system.& change remote control point.			
BMP-10282	6-6-62	Superseding authorization to include waiver of the provisions of Section 3.30(a).			
PL-9563	11-21-62	1550kc	1kw	Day	11-21 8-1-64
Lic. to cover CP (BP-12,915 as mod) which auth. a new standard b/c station.					
BAL-4833 EFF	2-31-63 2-6-64	Voluntary assignment of license to Charles J. McGuire and Mary Jane B. McGuire			
BR-4188	2-17-65	1550kc.	1kw	Day	2-17 8-1- (67)
BR-4188	7-18-67	Renewal of License			8-1 8-1-70
BAL-6308 EFF.	3-21-68 12-19-67	Involuntary AL.			
BAL-6362 EFF:	9-6-68 9-17-68	VOL. AL			
PSA	7-31-68	5.36w			
BTC-5847	1-31-69	Vol. TC	EFF: 3-15-69		
R-4188(L)	7-31-70	Renewal	8-1-73		
BAL-7248 FBSA	5-10-71 6-12-72	VOL. AL			
BR-4188(L)	8-24-73	RENEWAL			8-1-76
BAL-8757	8/30/76	Vol AL EFF:9/30/76			
BR-4188(S)	7-30-76	Renewal of License			8-1-79
Ltr.	11-2-76	Chg. SL			
BRC-3869(L)	1-18-77	ML chg. RC.			
BR790330XM	7-18-79	RENEWAL OF LICENSE (S)			8-1-82

BROADCASTING STATION HISTORY RECORD

CARD

CARD #2

First licensed

Call Letters WKYE

Station Location BRISTOL, TENNESSEE

Name
SUNSHINE BROADCASTERS, INC.

Transmitter Location

Main studio location

Authorization Record

File No.	Granted	Facilities	Expires
BAL800408EJ	6-25-80	VOL AL. EFF: 7-1-80	
BP781212AE	6-25-80	1550khz. 1kw DA-Day CP to make chgs in ant. sys. chg. TL.	6-25-81 chg to DA
E B S A	5-1-81	CALL SIGN CHANGE	

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Aug. 1955

Call
Letters NEW H K Y EName JOHN K. ROGERS(P.O. 421 Spruce Street, Bristol, Tennessee)

501 Cumberland St., Bristol, Tenn. (MP filed 5-3-62)

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BP-12,915	3-14-59	Construction Permit for a new standard	RECEIVED	3-17-61
Rec'd	3-16-59	broadcast station to be operated on:	Docket	12976
Filed	3-16-59	Frequency - 1550kc		
		Power - 1kw	GRANTED	3-15-62
		Hours of operation - Daytime	After hearing	
		Trans. location - On Blackley Rd, 2 miles S.E.	Docket 12976	
		of center of Bristol, Tennessee		
		Studio location - Snyder Bldg. 800 State Street		
		Bristol, Tennessee		
		Remote Control Point - Same as studio		
		Engr.- Walter A. Duke Springfield, Tenn.		

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Call
Letters WKYE

Name JOHN K. ROGERS

BRISTOL, TENNESSEE

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BMP-10,282	4-28-62	Mod. of CP(EP-12,915 which auth. a new standard broadcast station) to change antenna-trans. loc. from On Blackley Rd., 2 mi. S.E. of center of Bristol, Tenn. to .17 mi. W. of junction of US Hwy. 421 & Paperville Rd., Bristol, Tenn.; change studio loc. & remote control point from Snyder Bldg., 800 State St., Bristol, Tenn. to 501 Cumberland St., Bristol, Va.; chg. type trans(ITA AM-100A) & make chgs in the ground system.	GRANTED	6-6-62
R. & F.	5-3-62		WAIVER OF SEC 3.30(a) GRANTED	
		Engr-Louis A. King, Bristol, Tenn.		

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Call

Letters W.K.Y.E.

CHARLES J. MCGUIRE and MARY JANE B. MCGUIRE

Name x. JOHN K. ROGERSBristol, Tennessee

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BL-9563 R. & F. PROG. TEST 8-16-63	8-6-62 8-7-62	Lic. to cov. CP (BP-12,915, as mod.) which auth. a new standard broadcast station.	GRANTED	11-21-62 Cond'l (3.30(a))
BL-4833 R & F	6-5-63 6-12-63	Voluntary assignment of license to Charles J. McGuire and Mary Jane B. McGuire Request waiver of Sec. 1.365 of Rules Atty. - Robert M. Booth, Jr.	GRANTED EFF	12-31-63 2-6-64
BR-4188 Rec'd Filed	7-31-64 7-31-64 7-31-64	Renewal of license Atty. Robert M. Booth, Jr.	GRANTED	2-17-65
BR-4188 R.&F.	5-2-67 5-8-67	Renewal of license	GRANTED	7-18-67

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DAVENPORT BROADCASTING COMPANY

*JACKSON G. WHITE, JR., RECEIVER

Call
Letters W K Y EName *CHARLES J. McGUIRE and MARY JANE R. McGUIRE
Bristol, Tennessee

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BAL-6308 R & F (Form 316) MAR 12 1968	1-10-68 2-26-68	Involuntary assignment of license to JACKSON G. WHITE, JR., RECEIVER	GRANTED EFF.	3-21-68 12-19-67
BAL-6362 R & F FEE PD: \$75 - #127861 Pub. Notice filed 8-18-68 MAR 20 1968	5-9-68 5-10-68	Voluntary assignment of license to DAVENPORT BROADCASTING COMPANY Atty - N.E. Jorgensen	GRANTED EFF: 9-17-68	9-6-68
BTC-5847 R & F FEE PD: \$30 - #485217 (Form 316) JAN 31 1969	1-17-69 1-21-69	Voluntary transfer of control of lic. corp. from John Lee Davenport to Davenport Broad- casting Corporation Atty - N.E. Jorgensen	GRANTED EFF:	1-31-69 3-15-69

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1550kc

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September 1969

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call
Letters H.K.Y.E.

Highland Development Corporation Of Bristol
 Name DAVENPORT BROADCASTING COMPANY
BRISTOL, TENNESSEE

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BR-4188 R & F \$75 #598288 PN Recd. PRESS	4-28-70 5-1-70 " MAY "22 1970	RENEWAL OF LICENSE AMENDED 7-17-70 re: commercial policy	GRANTED	7-31-70
BAL-7248 R & F FEE PD: \$1000 #671801 CODE 047 APR 5 1971 Pub.notice filed 4-2-71	3-1-71 3-12-71 6-1-71	Voluntary assignment of license to HIGHLAND DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION OF BRISTOL REQUEST WAIVER SEC. 1.597 (SEE OVER) Atty - Krieger & Jorgensen	GRANTED Req. grant fee \$3,601.02 Grant fee paid \$3,601.02 6-1-71.	5-10-71
BR-4188 Recd. PN Recd. FILED PRESS	4-27-73 5-3-73 " 5-23-73	RENEWAL OF LICENSE N.E.Jorgensen, Atty AMENDED 7-30-73 re: ascertainment of comm. needs; employment practices	GRANTED	8-24-73

RE: BAL-7248 - AMENDED 4-12-71 - re assignment of contract
AMENDED 4-23-71 re proposed commercial policies

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1550khz

Call
Letters W K Y E

Name WILLIAM J. TILLEY, JR.
xHIGHLAND DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION OF BRISTOL
Bristol, Tennessee

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BAL-8354 R & Cd FEE PD: \$1000 # 360414 CODE 047 Pub. notice filed FILED (CERTIFIED AIR OF INC. FILED) MAR 7 1975	10-25-74 10-31-74 1-10-75 3-3-75	Voluntary assignment of license to KAMPEN INTERNATIONAL, INC. Atty - N.E. Jorgensen (no longer represents licensee per ltr	DISMISSED failure to prosecute	6-30-75 6-11-75
BR-4188 R & F P. N. Rec'd Press APR 29 1976	3-26-76 3-30-76	Renewal of License. AMENDED 7-2-76 re: Commercial matter & demographic study of area AMENDED 7-19-76 re: ascertainment of community needs	GRANTED	7-30-76
BAL-8757 Rec'd Filed Fee pd \$50 Add'l \$50 Code 047 (FORM 316) AUG 27 1976	8/10/76 8/10/76 8/16/76 W 603313 W605038	Voluntary assignment of license to WILLIAM J. TILLEY, JR. Atty - Fisher, Wayland, etc (Clifford Harrington)	GRANTED EFF: NO FEE:	8/30/76 9/30/76

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Call
Letters WKYEName William J. Tilley, Jr.
Bristol, Tennessee

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BRC-3869 R&R \$100-644144 AC:001 PRESS: DEC 28 1976	10-6-76 12-6-76 12-7-76	Mod .of license to oper. trans. by remote control from: 510 Cumberland St., Arcade Bldg., Bristol, Virginia (Main Non-DA) Atty: Clifford Harrington	GRANTED	1-18-77
BP- R & F PRESS RESUB.	9-22-77 9-28-77 5-11-78	CP to chg. station loc. to Bristol, Virginia add nighttime power with 1kw, inc. daytime power to 25kw, install DA-2, chg. hours of oper. to Unl. , Trans. loc. Off Reedy Creek Rd., 1.2 mi. NE of Washington-Scott County Line 0.33 mi. N. of Rd., Bristol, Virginia. Trans. CCA AM 25DX (Daytime) Trans. CCA AM 1000D (Nighttime) 36° 36' 40" 82° 16' 26" Major Environmental Act. under Sec. 1.1305 of the rules Atty: Francis E. Fletcher, Jr. Eng. John H. Mullaney	RETURNED - unacceptable for filing.	4-11-78

(OVER)

5-11-78 PETITION FOR RECONSIDERATION FILED BY WKYE.

6-19-78 OPPOSITION TO PETITION FOR RECONSIDERATION FILED BY RAM COMMUNICATIONS, INC. (WZAP)
THROUGH ITS ATTORNEY ERIC S. KRAVETZ

6-29-78 REPLY TO OPPOSITION TO PETITION FOR RECONSIDERATION FILED BY WILLIAM J. TILLEY, JR.
THROUGH ITS ATTORNEY FRANCIS E. FLETCHER, JR.

12-5-78 COMMENTS ON PETITION FOR RECONSIDERATION filed by Grover C. Cooper on behalf of
BRISTOL BROADCASTING , INC.

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May 1976

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call
Letters W K Y EName WILLIAM J. TILLEY, JR.
BRISTOL, TENNESSEE

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BP781212AE PRESS	DEC 29 1978	CP to make changes in Antenna System; chg. from NON-DA to DA; chg. TL to 1.2 miles from Intersection Wahsington County-Scott County Line N.E. along Reedy Creek Rd., Site 0.33 miles N. Reedy Creek Rd. MAJOR ENVIRONMENTAL ACTION UNDER SECTION 1.1305 OF THE COMMISSION'S RULES. 36° 36' 40" 82° 16' 26"	GRANTED	6-25-80
BR790330XM PRESS JUN 7 1979		RENEWAL OF LICENSE Atty. Michael L. Glaser (Glaser, Fletcher & Johnson)	GRANTED	7-18-79

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Call Letters: XWKYE

SUNSHINE BROADCASTERS, INC.

Name: xx WILLIAM J. TILLEY JR.

Station Location: Bristol, Tennessee

File No.	Date	Description	Action and Date
BAL800408EJ Form 314 PRESS PN FILED MAY 5	1980 5-13-80	Vol AL to SUNSHINE BROADCASTERS, INC. Atty Larry Perry(Oak Ridge Tenn.)	GRANTED 6-25-80 EFF. 7-1-80

BAL800408EJ AMENDED 5-27-80 re: Financial data.

About the History Cards ...

History Cards were first used by the Department of Commerce to keep track of applications filed by, and changes to, the earliest AM broadcast stations in the early 1920s. The records were subsequently transferred to the Federal Radio Commission in 1927, and after that to the Federal Communications Commission when that agency was created in 1934. These cards gradually grew into a large card file. History Cards remained in use until the creation of the first computerized database in 1980 to track broadcast applications, the Broadcast Application Processing System (BAPS). However, the Commission did not transfer the data from the History Cards to the new system. Instead, it retained the History Cards in their original form – 3" by 5" filing cards – for reference.

In 1999, the Commission moved to a new location (445 12th Street SW), and also at that time created the successor database to BAPS, the Consolidated DataBase System (CDBS). The History Cards were transferred to microfiche by a contractor (only one set is known to exist), and the original paper cards were destroyed. The History Cards were stored on the microfiche as negative images, like those you see above. Generally, they have been left as negatives as those are often easier to read.

History Cards contain very brief entries and notes about station facilities, applications, and ownership. They are not, and never were intended to be, a comprehensive record of a station's operations. Nevertheless, they can be useful to help determine, for example, when a station first went on the air and its call letters at that time. History Card comments were generally typed onto the cards, and thus some records will show more faintly or with more smudging than others, depending on the quality of typewriter and ribbon then used. Occasional handwritten comments, corrections, and strikeouts may also be found. Cards may be incomplete, missing, or occasionally out of sequence.

The History Cards are presented here as they were copied to microfiche, to preserve this record for public use, and with the hope that they will be of value to future researchers of radio station history.

